GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:7827
ANSWERED ON:16.05.2000
NAMES OF STATES
PUTTASWAMY GOWDA

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have received proposals from some State Governments to change the names of their States;

(b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise;

(c) whether the Government are aware that some private TV channels have been flashing the new proposed names on their channels; and

(d) if so, the steps taken by the Government in this regard ?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS

(SHRI I.D.SWAMI)

(a)&(b): The State Government of West Bengal has requested the Government of India to take such steps as may be necessary under article 3(e) of the Constitution of India for renaming `West Bengal` as `Bangla`.

(c)&(d): Information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.